

**Blue Range Mexican Wolf Reintroduction Project
Adaptive Management Oversight Committee
Standard Operating Procedure 6.0 - Clarification Memo**

Title: Wolf Translocations

Number: 6.0

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Purpose: The purpose of this memo is to clarify how SOP 6.0 shall be implemented henceforth. These clarifications are based on experience to date and have been discussed and agreed to by AMOC and the Lead Agency Directors.

Clarifications consist of the following:

- 1) Increase the area of livestock owner and permittee notification to a radius of 10 miles (around the translocation site) from a radius of five miles.
- 2) Add a voluntary livestock industry contact for each state to the translocation contact list.

Rationale: Increasing the radius of notification and adding a voluntary livestock industry contact for each state to the contact list are both intended to ensure more effective notification of persons whose daily activities are most likely to be affected by the proposed translocation. Increasing the area of notification will change **Section 1.k.ii.** as follows (changes in italics): “Discuss the proposal with each local permittee within *10 miles* of the proposed site.” Increasing the area of notification and adding another translocation site contact will change **Section 6.a.** as follows (changes in italics): “The IFT shall notify (by phone, email, or personal visit) AMOC, local permittees (i.e. those within *10 miles* of the proposed translocation), *a voluntary livestock industry contact for each state*, local county officials, and local District Rangers as soon as the need for a translocation is identified and before the translocation occurs. *However, if there is a need for an immediate translocation (i.e. one that would occur within 24 hours of a capture), the above notifications will be initiated as soon as the need is apparent and they will be completed within 24 hours of the translocation.*”

Approvals:

The Mexican Wolf Blue Range Reintroduction Project Adaptive Management Oversight Committee approved this SOP (with Lead Agency Director concurrence) on April 21, 2008.